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Remarks

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 22, 2007 which provided a second restriction/election requirement. The Applicant has hereinabove provided voluntary amendments to the claims to cancel without prejudice claims 1-18, amend claim 19 and add new claims 21-39. Corresponding amendments have also been provided to the specification.

These amendments are proper, do not introduce new matter or narrow the scope of the claimed subject matter, and will have no preclusive effect during subsequent proceedings.

Restriction/Election Requirement

The Office Action required restriction pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §121 as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-18

Group II: Claim 19

Although it is believed that the above amendments obviate the restriction requirement, for purposes of providing a complete response the Applicant hereby elects with traverse the invention of Group II, with claims 19-39 readable thereon. Claims 19 and 21-39 further read upon the previously elected Species I, and independent claims 19 and 30 are generic claims.

Traversal is based including on the fact that the Examiner's statement that the method of previously presented claim 19 "can be practiced by hand" is factually

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erroneous. Nevertheless, in view of the restriction the Applicant has provided the amendments presented above, and requests examination and allowance of these claims.

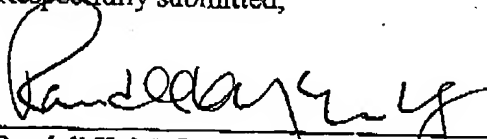
Conclusion

This is intended to be a complete response to the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed February 22, 2007. The Applicant respectfully requests examination and allowance of all of the claims therein.

Should any questions arise concerning this response, the Examiner is invited to contact the below signed attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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